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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 18, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings are discussed on page 10 of this document, and include a replacement formal drawing sheet for Figures 1 and 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: